



KENTUCKY BOARD OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS

P.O. Box 1360, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602 ~ 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
Phone (502) 782-8814 ~ <http://adc.ky.gov>

Certification as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC):

Description: Applicants for CADC have a Bachelor's degree and might currently be a Temporary CADC. Applicants are ready to take the Alcohol and Drug Counselor written exam and have already obtained the required work experience, supervision, and training.

APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET / CHECKLIST

- ☐ 1. Eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- ☐ 2. Section 1 of application completed.
- ☐ 3. Section 2 completed – describing education attainment of at least a Bachelor's degree.
- ☐ 4. Request an official transcript conferring your highest degree be sent from the registrar of the institution directly to the Board (issued to student and copies of transcripts are not acceptable, let the Board Administrator know if your last name was different at the time of your degree)
- ☐ 5. Section 3 completed – Must have completed **6000 hours** of experience working with persons having a substance use disorder. Refer to the Workplace Experience Substitution Request page (next) for more information.
- ☐ 6. Sign the Affidavit at bottom of page 2
- ☐ 7. Workplace Experience Substitution Request – Review this page and document your request for work substitution, if needed.
- ☐ 8. Supervision Evaluation– Completed and signed by your supervisor.
- ☐ 9. Verification of Classroom Training – Completed and documented the **270 classroom hours** of board-approved curriculum.
- ☐ 10. Verification of Clinical Supervision – **300 hours** of direct supervision documented and signed by your Board-Approved Supervisor.
- ☐ 11. Two letters of reference from credentialed alcohol and drug counselors.
- ☐ 12. Check or money order made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer (DO NOT SEND CASH)

Certification as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor Application Fee
(This is the only fee due at the time of application)

\$50.00

Certification as an Alcohol and Drug Counselor Exam Fee
Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Initial Certification Fee

\$200.00

\$200.00

The completed application may be submitted to the Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors by mail to: P.O. Box 1360, Frankfort, KY 40602 or delivered to 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, KY. Materials must be received by our office **10 days prior** to the next scheduled Board Meeting. If this deadline is not met, your application will be automatically added to the next month's agenda for review. Board meeting dates are on our website under "Quick Links."

Please Note:

The new CADC application no longer requires a Case Presentation.

Any supervision occurring prior to August 24th, 2015 must be with a Kentucky CADC in good standing with the board and 2+ years of post-certification experience. Any supervision sessions occurring after August 24th, 2015 must adhere to the new requirements: Both the CADC supervisor and the supervision agreement must be approved by the Board first.

When you start supervision, it is best to document it on a daily basis. Keep good notes and maintain copies of everything for your own records.

Supervision sessions should not be documented as “blocks” of dates. List each session individually with the corresponding date and time.

Supervision sessions do not “typically” last 3+ hours. If you have long sessions, provide as much detail as possible as to what those sessions looked like/the activities or it could cause your application to be deferred.

The application form and all required supporting documentation, as listed above, must be reviewed and approved by the Board at a monthly Board Meeting. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. It is the applicant’s responsibility to make certain all materials have been received by the Board administrator. You may contact the office to check on the status of your application materials. Email is best: Kelly.Walls@ky.gov

WRITTEN EXAM SCHEDULE

December 11, 2015
March 11, 2016
June 10, 2016
September 9, 2016
December 9, 2016

APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE

(must be received in our office by this date)

October 1, 2015
December 29, 2015
March 22, 2016
June 28, 2016
September 27, 2016

NEXT STEPS:

1. If you are ***deferred***, you will receive a letter approximately 2 weeks following the Board meeting asking for additional information. Once requested information is received, your application will be scheduled for another review at the following Board meeting. Deferment may keep you from testing at your desired date.

For example: Your application is received by our office (filed) on December 29th, 2015. Your application is reviewed at the January Board meeting, but instead of approved, you are deferred. You then send in the requested information right away. Your application is now scheduled for a 2nd review at February’s meeting. If approved at the February meeting, it will be too late to be registered for the March exam. You will instead be registered for the exam in June.

2. If **approved**, you will receive a letter approximately 2 weeks following the Board meeting. It will inform you that you will sit for the next scheduled Alcohol and Drug Counselor Exam and request the exam fee. Check or money order made payable to the Kentucky State Treasurer (DO NOT SEND CASH)

Alcohol and Drug Counselor Exam Fee

\$200.00

3. If approved to take the exam, you are automatically “registered” to take the exam. There is no action required on your part now - except to study!

EXAM PREPARATION: <http://internationalcredentialing.org> (ADC Exam)

4. Exam reminders with details of the testing location, time, and other important information will be mailed approximately 30 days prior to the testing date.
5. After you pass the exam, we will send an approval notice and request your initial Certification fee and issue you a Certificate number and ID Card. It will not need to be renewed for three years. (Please allow up to three weeks to receive your exam score via mail. Results will not be given by phone/email.)

Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Initial Certification Fee

\$200.00

6. Download, print and read through the Laws and Regulations if you have not already done so. <http://adc.ky.gov> > Resources
7. Review requirements for the training program in suicide assessment, treatment, and management.

NOTE: Upon receipt of credential, it is your responsibility to keep the Board Administrator informed of any address change. Do not rely on forwarding services of the United States Postal Service.



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- APPLICATION FOR:
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| TEMPORARY REGISTRATION AS PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST | () |
| REGISTRATION AS PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST | () |
| TEMPORARY CERTIFICATION AS AN ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSLOR | () |
| CERTIFICATION AS AN ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSLOR | () |
| LICENSED CLINICAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR ASSOCIATE | () |
| LICENSED CLINICAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR | () |

SECTION 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. _____
- | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|
| Name: First | Middle | Last | Maiden |
| _____ | | | |
| Social Security Number | Date of Birth | Home Phone | Cell Phone |
| _____ | | | |
| Mailing Address: Street | City | State | Zip Code |
| _____ | | | |
| Employer | Business Phone | | |
| _____ | | | |
| Employer's Address: Street | City | State | Zip Code |
| _____ | | | |
| Home Email | Business Email | | |
| _____ | | | |
2. Have you had a credential in Kentucky or any other state that has ever been suspended or revoked?
☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, give details: _____
3. Have you been convicted of a felony or plead guilty, including an Alford plea (other than minor traffic violations) under the laws of the United States in the last 5 years? ☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, what offense? _____
(If yes, send supporting documentation.)
4. Are you credentialed as an Alcohol or Drug Counselor in any other state? ☐ YES ☐ NO
If yes, what state? _____ Type of Credential? _____
5. Have you ever been discharged or forced to resign for misconduct or unsatisfactory service from any position from any professional training program, or from the program of any university? ☐ YES ☐ NO
(If yes, send supporting documentation.)
6. Have you ever been sanctioned by the Kentucky Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors or by any other credentialing board or professional associations for ethical misconduct? ☐ YES ☐ NO
(If yes, send supporting documentation.)
7. Are you currently on active military duty? ☐ YES ☐ NO

SECTION 2 – APPLICANT EDUCATION

School	Name and Location	Dates Attended	Date of Graduation	Number of Hours	Degree Obtained
High School/Equivalent					
Baccalaureate					
Master's					
Doctoral					

Submit proof of your highest education achieved:

- High school / equivalent - submit a copy of your diploma or certificate.
- Other higher education - submit official transcript sent from registrar of the college or university.

SECTION 3 – WORK EXPERIENCE (Attach Additional Related Experience If Needed)

Name of Employer:	_____
Title or Position:	_____
Employment Start Date:	_____ End Date: _____
Address of Employer:	_____
Clinical Supervisor:	_____ Credential Number: _____
Total Number of Work Hours per Week Related to Alcohol and Drug Clients:	_____
Describe Work Duties Related to Alcohol and Drug Clients:	_____ _____
Name of Employer:	_____
Title or Position:	_____
Employment Start Date:	_____ End Date: _____
Address of Employer:	_____
Clinical Supervisor:	_____ Credential Number: _____
Total Number of Work Hours per Week Related to Alcohol and Drug Clients:	_____
Describe Work Duties Related to Alcohol and Drug Clients:	_____ _____

AFFIDAVIT

I do hereby certify under penalty of law, that the information contained herein is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I am aware that, should an investigation at any time disclose such misrepresentation or falsification, my application could be rejected or my certification revoked by the Board. Furthermore, I agree to abide by the standards of practice and code of ethics approved by the Board.

Applicant's Signature (Do not type or print)

Date



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WORKPLACE EXPERIENCE SUBSTITUTION REQUEST

In order to become a CADDC, you must have completed 6000 hours of board-approved experience working with clients who have a substance use disorder. A minimum of three (3) years full time supervised experience in alcohol and drug counseling. For those applicants who caseload is less than 100 percent with substance abusing clients, a proportionate amount of years of Board approved experience in alcohol and drug counseling must be documented (i.e., 50 percent workload devoted to alcohol and drug counseling equals 6 years of experience; 75 percent devoted to alcohol and drug counseling equals 4 ½ years, etc.) Pursuant to 201 KAR 35:075 Section 1: You may substitute a degree in a related field for work experience. A master's degree or higher in a related field may be substituted for three thousand (3,000) hours of work experience. A master's degree or higher in a related field, with a specialization in addictions or drug and alcohol counseling may be substituted for 4,000 hours of work experience. A bachelor's degree in a related field may be substituted for two thousand (2,000) hours of work experience.

WORK SUBSTITUTION REQUEST

Applicant Name: _____

Name of College or University: _____

Degree Earned: _____

Number of Work Substitution
Hours Requested: _____

*Official transcripts must be sent from the institution directly to the Board.



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SUPERVISION EVALUATION

(Completed by each Supervisor)

This form must be entirely completed by each supervisor of qualifying experience. Please pay special attention to the number of hours of direct clinical supervision and percentage of applicant's time allotted to chemical dependency clients.

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Clinical Supervisor: _____ Credential Number: _____

Current Address: _____

Date of Issue of Certification: _____ Supervisor's Day Phone Number: _____ / _____ / _____

Program or agency where you supervised the applicant: _____

I have supervised the applicant's work from _____ to _____, which includes approximately _____
(Date) (Date)

hours of face to face clinical supervision per month for a total of _____ hours.

The approximate percentage of his/her time spent in delivery of services to substance abuse clients: _____ %

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES:

Evaluate the applicant as you observe(d) him/her in the following areas of interpersonal relationship with clients:
(Please use appropriate number as indicated on scale.)

1	2	3	4	5	6
/	/	/	/	/	/
Weak	Fair	Average	Above Average	Superior	NA

- _____ A. Respect for client.
- _____ B. Care and concern for client.
- _____ C. Genuineness with client.
- _____ D. Empathy with client.
- _____ E. Flexibility with client.
- _____ F. Clinical Judgment with client.
- _____ G. Spontaneity with client.
- _____ H. Capacity for confrontation with client.
- _____ I. Capacity for appropriate self-disclosure.
- _____ J. Sense of immediacy.
- _____ K. Concreteness.

Applicant's Name: _____

AREAS OF COMPETENCY

The following items are representative of the skills needed by an alcohol and drug counselor in the core functions. Evaluate the applicant as you feel he/she demonstrates his/her abilities in each area. Mark the rating most nearly descriptive of the applicant's demonstrated skills using the scales given.

- _____ A. Screening – (Demonstrated competency in determining appropriateness for admission to a program.)
- _____ B. Intake – (Demonstrated competency in client intake process.)
- _____ C. Client Orientation – (Demonstrated competency in client orientation and motivation.)
- _____ D. Assessment – (Demonstrated competency in the use of psycho-social tools for assessing the intensity and extent of a client's problem with chemical dependency.)
- _____ E. Treatment Planning – (Demonstrated competency in establishing treatment goals and plan for client.)
- _____ F. Counseling – (Demonstrated competency in individual counseling.)
- _____ G. Counseling – (Demonstrated competency in group counseling.)
- _____ H. Counseling – (Demonstrated competency in counseling of the family of the client and significant others.)
- _____ I. Case Management – (Demonstrated competency in coordinating multiple treatment activities and support systems for the client.)
- _____ J. Crisis Intervention – (Demonstrated competency in crisis intervention.)
- _____ K. Client Education – (Demonstrated competency in didactic presentations.)
- _____ L. Referral – (Demonstrated competency in identifying the needs of the client that cannot be met by the counselor and assisting the client to utilize other agency or community resources available.)
- _____ M. Reports / Record Keeping. – (Demonstrated competency in ability to relate to our own and other professionals to assure comprehensive care for the client.)

PROFESSIONAL AND ETHICAL CONDUCT:

1. Employment of fraud or deception in applying for a certificate: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please comment:
Comment: _____
2. Practice of Alcohol and Drug Counseling under a false or assumed name or the impersonation of another counselor of a like or different name. ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please comment:
Comment: _____
3. Habitual abuse of any mood-altering chemical substance to such an extent as to interfere consistently with the competent performance of his/her duties. ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please comment:
Comment: _____
4. Misrepresentation of one's professional credentials: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please comment:
Comment: _____
5. Failure to adhere to KRS 309.080 to 309.089: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please comment:
Comment: _____

Describe what you believe to be significant strengths and / or deficiencies of the applicant:

I recommend _____ for certification / licensure.
Applicant's Name

I do not recommend _____ for certification / licensure.
Applicant's Name

Signature: _____ Credential: _____

Current Address: _____

Date Signed: _____



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CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR **VERIFICATION OF CLASSROOM TRAINING**

In accordance with 201 KAR 35:050, Section 1 (2), an applicant seeking certification as an alcohol and drug counselor shall complete 270 classroom hours which are specifically related to the knowledge and skills necessary to perform the following alcohol and drug counselor competencies:

1. Understanding addiction;
2. Treatment knowledge;
3. Application to practice;
4. Professional readiness;
5. Clinical evaluation;
6. Treatment planning;
7. Referral;
8. Service coordination;
9. Counseling;
10. Client, family and community education;
11. Documentation; and
12. Ethical responsibilities

I certify that I have had training or education in each of these domains related to the practice of alcohol/drug counseling.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

ETHICS TRAINING (6) – A minimum of 6 hours shall be interactive, face-to-face ethics training related to counseling. **PRINT OR TYPE**

Title of Course	Dates of Attendance	Entity Offering Training	No. of Actual Training Hours

Applicant Name _____ **Total Number of Hours:** _____

Applicant Name _____

HIV TRAINING (2) – A minimum of two (2) hours of training in transmission, control, treatment and prevention of the human immunodeficiency virus. PRINT OR TYPE

Title of Course	Dates of Attendance	Entity Offering Training	No. of Actual Training Hours

Total Number of Hours: _____

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (3) – A minimum of three (3) hours of training specific to domestic violence. PRINT OR TYPE

Title of Course	Dates of Attendance	Entity Offering Training	No. of Actual Training Hours

Total Number of Hours: _____

ALCOHOL/DRUG COMPETENCY TRAINING HOURS
PRINT OR TYPE

Title of Course	Dates of Attendance	Entity Offering Training	No. of Actual Training Hours

Total Number of Hours: _____



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VERIFICATION OF CLINICAL SUPERVISION

Documentation of 300 hours of direct supervision by a Board Approved Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor or a Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor must be documented. This form must be completed by the applicant and signed by the clinical supervisor.

In accordance with 201 KAR 35:010, Section 1 (9), "clinical supervision" means a disciplined, tutorial process wherein principles are transformed into practical skills, with four overlapping foci: administrative, evaluative, clinical and supportive. These activities are observed/reviewed by the clinical supervisor who provides timely positive and constructive feedback to assist the counselor in the learning process. Methods of supervision include: face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone/conference. A minimum of 300 hours of direct clinical supervision from a Board approved clinical supervisor is required. **A minimum of 10 hours of face-to-face clinical supervision must be documented in each of the 12 core functions.**

APPLICANT/SUPERVISEE'S NAME: _____

APPLICANT/SUPERVISEE'S STRENGTHS: _____

APPLICANT/SUPERVISEE'S WEAKNESSES: _____

Supervisee's Name: _____

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING **SUMMARY** OF CLINICAL SUPERVISION HOURS - SPECIFIC DETAILS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS PAGE. USE AS MANY PAGES AS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF CLINICAL SUPERVISION. NUMBER EACH PAGE.

CORE FUNCTION	Number of Face-to-Face Hours	TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS
Screening		
Client Intake		
Client Orientation		
Client Assessment		
Treatment Planning		
Individual Counseling		
Group Counseling		
Family Counseling		
Case Management		
Crisis Intervention		
Client Education		
Referral		
Reports and Recordkeeping		
Consultation		
TOTAL		

Affidavit: I verify that the information documented above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Supervisee's Name: _____

CORE FUNCTION: SCREENING

The process by which a client is determined appropriate and eligible for admission to a particular program. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]

Total Number of Hours in Screening _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name: _____

CORE FUNCTION: CLIENT INTAKE

The process of collecting client information at the beginning of treatment that is used in assessment of a client for treatment. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

DATE OF SESSION	LENGTH OF SESSION	METHOD OF SUPERVISION	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE (Must be legible)

Total Number of Hours in Client Intake _____

Page _____

Supervisor's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CLIENT ORIENTATION

Individual or group session to familiarize clients with program services, expectations and goals. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Client Orientation** _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CLIENT ASSESSMENT

The process by which a counselor identifies and evaluates an individual's strengths, weaknesses, problems and needs for the development of the treatment plan. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Client Assessment**_____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

A one-to-one counselor/client process for the purpose of assessing a client's problems and facilitating appropriate changes. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]

Total Number of Hours in Individual Counseling_____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: TREATMENT PLANNING

Defining areas of problems and needs, establishing long and short-term goals, and developing appropriate tools for reaching these goals. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Treatment Planning**_____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: GROUP COUNSELING

A process involving clients for the purpose of jointly exploring the client's problems and facilitating appropriate changes. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

DATE OF SESSION	LENGTH OF SESSION	METHOD OF SUPERVISION	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE (Must be legible)

Total Number of Hours in Group Counseling _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: FAMILY COUNSELING

A process of exploring the dynamics of the family system and facilitating appropriate changes. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]

Total Number of Hours in Family Counseling _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CASE MANAGEMENT

Activities which bring services, agencies, resources or people together within a planned framework of action toward the achievement of established goals. It may involve liaison activities and collateral contracts. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

DATE OF SESSION	LENGTH OF SESSION	METHOD OF SUPERVISION	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE (Must be legible)

Total Number of Hours in Case Management _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CRISIS INTERVENTION

Those services which respond to an alcohol and/or drug abuser's needs during acute emotional and/or physical distress. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Crisis Intervention** _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: REFERRAL

Identifying the needs of the client that cannot be met by the counselor or agency and assisting the client to utilize the support systems and community resources available. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

DATE OF SESSION	LENGTH OF SESSION	METHOD OF SUPERVISION	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE (Must be legible)

Total Number of Hours in Referral _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Applicant Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CLIENT EDUCATION

Seminars or workshops which have the major goal of increasing the clients knowledge and patterns of problematic behavior. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Client Education** _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: REPORTS AND RECORD KEEPING

Charting the results of the assessment and treatment plan; writing reports, progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data. This includes written communications and other professionals regarding a client's needs and treatment planning. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]

Total Number of Hours in Reports and Record Keeping _____

Page _____

Supervisee's Name _____

CORE FUNCTION: CONSULTATION

Relating with counselors and other professionals in regard to client treatment (services) to assure comprehensive, quality care for the client. (Methods of supervision include face-to-face, video, observation, or telephone.)

[illegible]**Total Number of Hours in Consultation**_____

Page _____